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NYS DOH position on EMF from 60 Hertz electric power transmission lines

- The NYS DOH is in the process of updating the information on its website regarding the "Power Lines Project - Questions and Answers", which discusses exposure to 60 cycle (Hertz) electromagnetic fields (EMF) from electric power transmission lines.
- Until the DOH website is updated, individuals should refer to the National Institutes of Health/National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences EMF RAPID Program for information and guidance on this topic.
- The NIH/NIEHS EMF RAPID Report, "Health Effects from Exposure to Powerline Frequency Electric and Magnetic Fields", was released in May. 1999, and is available at <a href="http://www.niehs.nih.gov/emfrapid">http://www.niehs.nih.gov/emfrapid</a>
- In addition, individuals should refer to the recent emf study conducted as part of the Federally funded Long Island Breast Cancer Study Project. The emf investigation, "Electromagnetic Fields (EMF) and Breast Cancer on Long Island", was published in the July 1, 2003 issue of the American Journal of Epidemiology, and is available at <a href="https://www.epi.grants.cancer.gov/LIBCSP/projects/EMF.htm">www.epi.grants.cancer.gov/LIBCSP/projects/EMF.htm</a>

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